



**IN THE
UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Michael Thoms

CASE: 011106

**THREE-MONTH
EXTENSION OF TIME**

SERIAL NO.: 09/869,407

FILED ON: June 22, 2001

FOR: FLAT STORAGE ELEMENT
FOR AN X-RAY IMAGE

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Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-0545.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the period in which to file the response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2003, regarding the above-identified patent application, for an additional three months, from August 23, 2003 up to and November 23, 2003.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136, Applicant respectfully submits that a response was originally required to be filed August 23, 2003, a period of three months from the mailing date of the Office Action; that the above-identified patent application is

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not involved in an interference proceeding; and that the Applicant herewith submits the three-month small entity Extension of Time fee of \$950.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

Section 1.17(a).

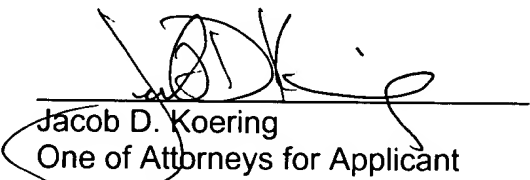
Applicant accordingly petitions for acceptance of the presently requested three-month extension of time.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned, at (312) 226-1818, is respectfully invited.

Respectfully submitted,

FACTOR & PARTNERS, LLC

Dated: November 24, 2003



Jacob D. Koering
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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on November 24, 2003.

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